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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY; GENEVA FOR MTN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: GATT, ETRD, SF

SUBJ: SOUTH AFRICAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

REF: PRETORIA 0263

DURING CONVERSATION ABOUT TRADE NEGOTIATIONS (SEE SEPTTEL),
SAG

OFFICIALS EXPLAINED THAT REMOVAL OF QUOTAS ON LONG LIST OF
ITEMS AT END OF LAST YEAR (REFTEL) STILL LEAVES SOME ITEMS
SUBJECT TO QUOTA. ITEMS IN PARA TWO OF GAZETTE 4536 REQUIRE
IMPORT PERMITS BUT SAG CLAIMS THESE CURRENTLY FREELY GIVEN.
ITEMS IN PARA THREE, WHICH ARE MOSTLY CONSUMER GOODS, ARE
SUBJECT TO WHAT SAG CLAIMS ARE GENERAOUS QUOTAS. PARA FOUR
ITEMS SUBJECT TO FIRM QUOTAS FOR VARIOUS REASONS. SAG BELIEVES
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THAT EASING OF QUOTAS WILL SATISFY GATT MEMBERS THAT SA MOVING

WITH REASONABLE SPEED TO REMOVE QUOTAS ORIGINALLY IMPOSED FOR
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS REASONS. SAG DOES NOT CLAIM THAT BALANCE
OF PAYMENTS NOW JUSTIFIES REMAINING QUOTAS BUT THAT DISMANTLING
OF QUOTAS CANNOT BE DONE OVERNIGHT WITHOUT DISRIPTIVE EFFECTS.
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